Sonoma State Home
(Institutions)

May 3, 1943

Mrs. Harry Miller
Route 1, Box 63
New Castle, California

Dear Mrs. Miller:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your recent letter concerning your daughters who are in the Sonoma State Home, and to tell you that he has forwarded your letter to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director, Department of Institutions. This home is one of the institutions within her department.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:dt

Has two daughters in the Sonoma State Home. Would like to have them released. Claims they are both going to have children and she would like to have permission to have a doctor go there and examine them. Would like to see the Gov. and tell him about the Sonoma State Home.

May 3, 1943

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Bldg. No. 1
Sacramento, California

Dear Mrs. Heffner:

The Governor has received the enclosed letter from Mrs. Harry Miller and has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Sincerely yours,

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:dt

Enclosure

Sonoma State Home
Institutions

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July 23, 1943

Mrs. H. Galindo
Box 251
Gilroy, California

Dear Mrs. Galindo:

The Governor has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 20 and to advise you that he has referred it to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of the State Department of Institutions, for attention.

Sincerely yours,

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:dp

Sonoma State Home

Sonoma State Home
Institutions

December 17, 1943

Mrs. Mary Huckman
2130 - 24th Street
San Francisco 10, California

Dear Mrs. Huckman:

The Governor has asked me to acknowledge your letter of December 14 concerning the release of your son from the Sonoma State Home, and to inform you that he has referred it to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of the Department of Institutions.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:EY

December 17, 1943

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Building #1
Sacramento, California

Dear Mrs. Heffner:

The Governor has received the enclosed letter from Mrs. Mary Huckman concerning the release of her son from the Sonoma State Home, and has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Sincerely yours,

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:EY

Encl.

Sonoma State Hosp.
Institutions

January 18, 1944.

Mrs. Esther Nichols,
165 Kensington Way,
San Francisco 16, California.

Dear Mrs. Nichols:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of January 12, 1944 concerning the release of your son Jack from the Sonoma State Home and to inform you that he has referred it to the Department of Institutions for attention.

Sincerely Yours,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary.

HRM:elb

January 18, 1944.

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director,
Department of Institutions,
State Office Building Number 1,
Sacramento, California.

Dear Mrs. Heffner:

Governor Warren has received the enclosed letter from Mrs. Esther Nichols concerning the release of her son Jack from the Sonoma State Home and has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Sincerely yours,

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:elb
Enclosure

Sonoma State Home

February 18, 1944.

Mr. Berlin Spence, No. 18110
Post Office Box 41
Michigan City, Indiana

Dear Mr. Spence:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of February 18 concerning your wife, Viola Brown Spence and to inform you that he has referred it to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of Institutions, for attention.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:elb

February 18, 1944

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director
Department of Institutions
343 State Office Bldg. No. 1
Sacramento, California

Dear Mrs. Heffner:

We enclose herewith a letter of recent date received by the Governor from Berlin Spence concerning his wife, Viola Brown Spence, an inmate of Sonoma State Home.

Will you be kind enough to give this matter such attention, inquiry or action as you think necessary.

Sincerely yours,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ew
Enc.

Sonoma State Hosp

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March 9, 1944

Mr. James E. Elkington, President,
Elkington Manufacturing Company,
19 South Park,
San Francisco 7, California.

Dear Mr. Elkington: Sonoma State Home 96
Dishwashing Machine

I have your letter of February 28 with reference to our recent purchase of a dishwashing machine for Sonoma State Home.

I am quite surprised at some of your unwarranted statements about collusion, illegal procedures, unfair practices, etc., but I will confine my reply to the facts in the case. I note that you chose to send a copy of your letter to Governor Warren and a copy to Attorney General Robert Kenney, and I am sending a copy of my reply to them.

Sonoma State Home presented a request for a table, a two compartment sink and two Hobart Crescent Dishwashing Machines. We invited all bidders to quote on a Hobart or equal equipment, which is customary in soliciting competitive bids. In response to our invitation we received six bids. A careful analysis was made of each offering.

The low bid was submitted by the National Cornice Works of Los Angeles who quoted on a Sterling. This bid was rejected principally because they use the chain method of conveying the racks of dishes through the bath, also use the chain drive as a means of power transmission to the conveyor. We have found that these chains give trouble, not only in operation, but they are a source of danger to the operators, who in this case are inmates of the institution. Likewise, we took into consideration the fact that the firm is so far away from Sonoma State Home that it would cause considerable delay and inconvenience in the matter of service in event of breakdown.

Your bid was next low and we made a thorough investigation of the quality of your machine and your service. One objectionable mechanical feature of the Elkington machine is that the pump and conveying

unit is mounted on the bottom of the tank or frame, and the motor or driving unit is mounted on the solid base. This causes vibration between the driver and the driven units and has lead to serious trouble in the past.

Mr. Baker, buyer in this Department, together with Miss Owens, Food Administrator of the Department of Institutions, Mr. Waterhouse, Business Manager of Sonoma State Home, and Mr. Ferguson, engineer of the Sonoma State Home, called at your shop in San Francisco and examined your machine. Miss Owens spent another day in San Francisco and inspected your machine in use at the County Hospital. In Sacramento, Miss Owens and Mr. Baker examined your machine which is in use in the telephone building. This latter machine has not been in operation very long and the only trouble they have had with it was with the motor. It was observed that the dishes were not thoroughly clean after coming through the machine.

Miss Owens reports that the machine in use at the San Francisco City and County Hospital has needed a great deal of servicing, such as packing of pump and motors, altering of the wash arms, and minor details. It is necessary for them to wash the dishes by hand after scraping, then they rack the dishes and put them through the machine for rinsing and sterilizing. Other machines of various makes that are in use in this hospital were observed and no prewashing or rinsing was employed to obtain clean dishes.

The machine which is being replaced at Sonoma State Hospital has been in use twenty-two years, and it was not an Elkington.

The Camarillo State Hospital has had an Elkington machine in use since 1937. This machine did a poor job of washing. The spray jets clogged quickly and regularly. The doors were difficult to operate. The chain and pulleys operating the doors gave out in a short space of time. All washed items had to be hand wiped upon emerging from the machine. Dishes scraped, but not rinsed before going through the machine, do not come out clean. It was necessary to prerinse all dishes before putting through the dishwasher. This machine was in your factory for repair at the time of Mr. Baker's visit.

Another Elkington was originally installed in what is known as Parole Patients Dining Room at Camarillo State Hospital, and was put into operation about 1938 and removed the latter part of 1941. The Elkington machine for this operation was entirely unsatisfactory. The compartment trays could not be washed clean and it was standard practice when the Elkington machine was in use to always run the utensils through at least twice which greatly slowed down dishwashing operations. In addition, this machine developed all the weaknesses previously mentioned in connection with the first machine described: Faulty operation and leaky doors; light construction of doors, door channels, chains, pulleys, etc. and poor rinsing facility.

This machines was replaced and was sent to you for reconditioning, overhauling and rebuilding so that it could be used as a standby

machine in the Employees Dining Room in case of emergency. The machine was sent to you the first part of April, 1942 and in your letter of May 14, 1942 you outlined and estimated the needed repairs as follows:

"Repack all glands, overhaul motor and reduction unit, install complete new type pump seal, machine armature shaft and press bronze sleeve on same, grease for reduction unit, four cork gaskets, two new angle valves, recondition rinse valve, two brass nipples, install new type sleeve bearing in vertical shaft, all new cylinder collars, new studs for same, bore and insert steel sleeves in cylinder tees, two new cylinder push rods, sleeves, swivels and etc., new wash control handle, plate, and shaft, new type gate valve, push rod shaft and pins, three taper pins, two straight pins, one hardened rinse adjustment screw, three strainer pans handles, one new door sheave, four bushings for same, one set door chains, two new doors, door handles, studs and etc., complete set door guides, glass in hood, three door chain angles bolts and etc., clean machine inside with acid, weld hood corners and polish, repaint frame, test for satisfactory operation."

All of this work cost $209.80, plus freight to and from the factory, which was paid by the Hospital. This reconditioned machine, at the time of Camarillo's report had been in operation in their Employees Dining Room about thirty days and they were able to note little, if any, improvement in operation.

You reported to us that you had installed a machine temporarily for their use. Camarillo state such is not the case.

Pacific Colony reported that their Elkington Dishwashing machine was not satisfactory and had to be replaced with another make of machine.

Our experience with the Hobart Crescent Dishwashing Machines in our various institutions has been very satisfactory. For the difference of $89.50 between the cost of their machine and your machine we feel that we have made a satisfactory purchase for the State of California. I believe you will agree that a thorough and impartial investigation was made of the various offerings, and were you not a prejudiced bidder you must also agree that the best interests of the State were served in this case.

Very truly yours,

J. F. Mispley

J. F. MISPLEY, CHIEF,
STATE BUREAU OF PURCHASES.

cc-Governor Earl Warren
Attorney General Kenny

Sonoma State Hosp.

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February 28, 1944

Mr. J. F. Misplay, Chief
State Bureau of Purchases
Room 107, State Office Bldg., #1
Sacramento, 14, California

In re: Sonoma State Home
Estimate 96, Sheets 1, 2.

Dear Sir:

This is in reply to your letter of February 17, 1944, re the above.

Without repeating the specific bid figures enumerated in your letter it appears that your department has awarded a contract not to any one of three low bidders but to the highest bidder. What reasonable explanation can there be for such unwarranted conduct? One might safely draw the conclusion that there is collusion involved.

The specifications upon which bids were called for set up, in part, a "Hobart Crescent dishwashing machine, or equal". My machine qualifies under the "or equal" requirement. You will not contend, I am sure, that the law permits your department to advertise for bids on one specific machine to the exclusion of all others. For that reason you have to add the phrase "or equal". It seems apparent from your letter that you are violating not only the intent, but the spirit, of the law when you fail to award a contract for a machine which qualifies on low bid as an "equal". I feel sure that those State Officials, who are your superior, will not condone the action of your department in this case.

A copy of this letter is being sent to Governor Earl Warren and to Attorney General Robert Kenney.

To refresh your memory, I am the only manufacturer of dishwashing machines located in the State of California. I have been manufacturing dishwashing machines here in San Francisco for approximately twenty years and during this same period I have been fighting, what I consider to be, unfair practices in awarding contracts for dishwashing machines by your department.

At many times in the past, your department has awarded me, or my agents, contracts calling for my dishwashing machines and to the best of my knowledge machines of my manufacture are in use at several Institutions. Such being the case, it is hard to understand, according to your letter of February 17, 1944, why my machine now does not qualify as an "equal". As recent as De-

cember 24, 1942 I supplied one of my machines to the California Maritime Academy at Morrow Cove, Vallejo, California, after having been the successful low bidder.

Furthermore, I feel I do not have to offer any excuses or apologies for the excellence of my machine. Ever since the present war started, I have been supplying dishwashing machines to the U. S. Government exclusively. Machines of my manufacture in the following amounts have been supplied, as the result of my being a successful low bidder, to the following agencies of the U. S.Government:

U. S. ARMY.....29 Machines
U. S. NAVY.....27 Machines
U. S. ENGINEERS.....101 Machines
U. S. MARITIME COMMISSION.....13 Machines
U. S. WAR SHIPPING ADMINISTRATION....2 Machines

The specifications, requirements and demands of the Federal Agencies, appertaining to dishwashing machines, are far more exacting than anything demanded by the State. Hence I feel that if my product is good enough for the United States Government it certainly should be satisfactory for the use of my own State of California.

There is certainly no reason why any manufacture should waste his time bidding on equipment for state use as long as the present policy of awarding the contract to the high bidder is being followed.

In the present case it would appear that an engineer or superintendant or civil service employee at a particular institution wanted one certain kind of dishwashing machine, recommended the purchase of that certain machine to you and acting on the strength of that recommendation, you bought that particular machine. At this point I inquire, is your department actually the State Purchasing Agency or is the civil service employee at the State Institutions doing your job for you? I can well imagine that a civil service employee at a state institution could succumb to high pressure salesmanship out of personal contact and friendship, even to the point of warping his or her usual fair judgement in favor shall I say, of the Hobart Crescent Dishwasher. But, I cannot imagine why you, a civil servant of the state in the interests of economy and efficiency in a State Government would go so far as to squander the taxpayers money by buying the most expensive piece of equipment offered you when you could have had "equal" equipment for less money!

Taxes being as high as they are, it strikes me, that you should be doing your utmost to economize without, however, impairing the efficiency of any State Institution.

May I urge that you again review this matter and give me a full and complete report on your conclusions?

Very truly yours,

ELKINGTON MANUFACTURING CO.

James E. Elkington, Pres.

JEE:FLE

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State of California
Bureau of Purchases

February 17th, 1944.

Elkington Manufacturing Co.,
19 South Park Street,
San Francisco, 7, California.

In re: Sonoma State Home.
Estimate 96, Sheets 1,2

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of February 14th regarding the award on the dishwashing machines, dish tables, sinks, and drain boards, please be advised that the information you had to the effect that you were low bidder on this job was incorrect.

The National Cornice Works of Los Angeles submitted a total bid of $3,318.84 on an installation using Sterling Dishwashing machines. Mangrum Holbrook & Elkus submitted a bid of $3,777.20, including Champion Dishwashing Machines. Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company submitted a bid of $3,854.30 on Hobart Crescent Machines, as specified. Your total bid amounted to $3,522.59

After due consideration by all departments concerned, it was decided to make the award to Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company for the Hobart Crescent for installation.

Thanking you for the interest you have shown in the proposition, we remain

Yours very truly,

J. F. Misplay, Chief

STATE BUREAU OF PURCHASES,

BY: H. M. Baker (signed)
BUYER

HMB:m

Sonoma State Hosp.

NATIONAL CORNICE WORKS

ESTABLISHED 1911

SHEET METAL CONTRACTORS

1323-1335 Channing Street

LOS ANGELES 21, CALIFORNIA

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CORNICE AND SKYLIGHTS
SPRAY BOOTHS
FIRE DOORS
SKYLIGHT LIFTERS
CORRUGATED WIRE GLASS

VENTILATING SYSTEMS
METAL STAMPINGS
MONEL AND
STAINLESS STEEL
KITCHEN EQUIPMENT

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March 11, 1944

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State Purchasing Agent
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

Attention: Mr. J. F. Mispley,
Chief, State Bureau of Purchases

Re: Sonoma State Home
Estimate 96, Sheets 1,2.

Gentlemen:

It has just been brought to our attention that on the above mentioned bid, there were four bids as follows:

Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company	$3,854.30
Mangrum Holbrook & Elkus	$3,777.20
Elkington Manufacturing Company	$3,522.59
National Cornice Works	$3,318.84

We have been advised that this contract was awarded to the Dohrmann Hotel Supply Company who were the highest of the four bidders.

We cannot conceive by what stretch of imagination it is considered either fair or economical to pay $500.00 more of the tax-payers' money for one of our state institutions than is necessary.

We are wondering if it is worthwhile to spend our time, which at the present is valuable to the war effort, in figuring and bidding on jobs for our state institutions when, apparently, the bidding is a mere formality and is not for the purpose of securing materials for the use of our state institutions at the most economical figure.

We are, therefore, writing this letter as a protest against this form of procedure in the hope that it will bring about fair play in the future.

Yours very truly,

NATIONAL CORNICE WORKS

M. L. Silverstone,
Mgr., Thermatic Division

MLS-em

cc - Honorable Earl Warren
Attorney-General Robert Kenny

Sonoma State Home

May 5, 1944

Mrs. Alice Emsing
9302 Birch Street
Oakland, California

Dear Mrs. Emsing:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of May 1 requesting the release of your daughter, Agnes Williams, from Sonoma State Home and to inform you that he has referred it to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of the Department of Institutions for attention.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor

HRM:DS

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

May 5, 1944

Governor Warren has received the enclosed letter from Mrs. Alice Emsing requesting the release of her daughter, Agnes Williams, from Sonoma State Home and has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
Enclosure

Sonoma State Home

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento 14, California

File No.

Date: May 10, 1944

Subject: Sonoma State Home

From: **Governor's Office**

The enclosed clippings were called to my attention recently, and I was asked to send them to you for your information.

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:BF
MG

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Sonoma State Home

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

File No.

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

Subject:

Date: May 18, 1944

From: **Governor's Office**

With further reference to our letter of April 17, we are attaching additional correspondence received by the Governor from Mrs. L. B. Menser, dated May 16, 1944.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
Enclosure

COPY

Sonoma State Home

April 17, 1944

Mrs. L. B. Menser
42 South 22nd Street
San Jose 12, California

Dear Mrs. Menser:

Governor Warren has asked me to acknowledge your letter of April 10 concerning the release of Carolyn Rosenthal from Sonoma State Home and to inform you that he has referred it to Mrs. Heffner, Director, Department of Institutions for attention.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ch

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

File No.

Date: April 17, 1944

Subject: Release of Carolyn Rosenthal from Sonoma State Home

From: Governor's Office

Dear Mrs. Heffner:

Governor Warren has received the enclosed letter from Mrs. L. B. Menser concerning the release of Carolyn Rosenthal from Sonoma State Home and has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ch
Enclosure

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Sonoma State Hosp.

May 26, 1944

Mrs. Mildred Slayton
Route 2, Box 455
Porterville, California

Dear Mrs. Slayton:

Your letter of May 24 to Governor Warren has been received during his absence from the State.

He has asked me to refer communications on this subject to Dora Shaw Heffner Director of Institutions. I have, therefore, taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to her.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, 14, California

May 26, 1944

In the absence of the Governor, I am forwarding to you the enclosed letter from Mrs. Mildred Slayton concerning the placing of her neighbor's 15 year old son in the Sonoma State Home, for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
Enclosure

Sonoma State Hosp.

June 27, 1944

Mrs. Helen Gonzalez
130 Scott Street
Santa Rosa, California

Dear Mrs. Gonzalez:

Your letter of June 22 to Governor Warren concerning your two daughters in Sonoma State Home has been received during his absence from the State.

He has asked me to refer communications on this subject to Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of Institutions. I have, therefore, taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to her.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

June 27, 1944

In the absence of the Governor, I am forwarding to you the enclosed letter from Mrs. Helen Gonzalez concerning her two daughters in Sonoma State Home.

This correspondence is referred for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
Enclosure

Sonoma State Home

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento 14, California

File No.

Date: July 11, 1944

Subject:

From: Governor's Office

With further reference to our letter of July 5, we are attaching additional correspondence from Mrs. A. Sapinosa, dated July 7, 1944.

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:ds
Enclosure
No letter to Sapinosa

COPY

Sonoma State Home

July 5, 1944

Mrs. A. Sapinosa
222 Capitol Street
Vallejo, California

Dear Mrs. Sapinosa:

Governor Warren has received your letter of June 30 concerning your sister, Evelyn Mary Burke, who is under the jurisdiction of the Sonoma State Home.

He has asked me to tell you that it has been referred to Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of Institutions.

Sincerely,

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:ds

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento 14, California

File No.

Date: July 5, 1944

Subject:

From: Governor's Office

Governor Warren has received the enclosed letter dated June 30 from Mrs. A. Sapinosa concerning her sister, Evelyn Mary Burke, who is under the jurisdiction of the Sonoma State Home.

He has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:ds
Enclosure

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Hoffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

File No.

Subject:

Date: October 7, 1944

From: Governor's Office

Governor Warren has received the enclosed unsigned letter concerning conditions at Sonoma State Home.

He has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
Department of Institutions
SACRAMENTO

November 6, 1944

Mr. H. Galindo
Box 322
Gilroy, California

Dear Mr. Galindo:

This will acknowledge your letter of recent date addressed to Governor Warren and forwarded to this department for reply. In your letter you complain about the fact that your daughters, Aileen Galindo Leach and Mabel Galindo Swain, were returned to the Sonoma State Home from which they were on parole.

According to the information which we received from the home these girls, both of whom are markedly subnormal, were released on parole on December 8, 1943 to their brother Luis Galindo and his common law wife. The institution believes that this was in accordance with your wishes to have the girls near you and was under the impression that proper supervision would be granted. Without the knowledge of the home the marriages for the two girls were arranged on April 6, 1944. When the marriages were investigated by the social worker it was found that it was necessary to have the girls returned to the institution as they were not being cared for in the proper manner.

As you may recall, we have had a great deal of correspondence with you concerning your request to have these girls paroled. In view of these most recent happenings it would appear that the home's reluctance to accede to your request was justified. As long as the two girls are incapable of caring for themselves, so long will it be necessary for them to have the proper care and supervision, not only for their own welfare but for that of the community.

Very sincerely yours,

DORA SHAW HEFFNER, DIRECTOR

BY Nathan Sloate
Supervisor of Extramural Care

NS:LB
cc: W. T. Sweigert, Executive Secretary
to Governor Warren

Sonoma State Home

September 5, 1944

Mr. H. Galindo
P. O. Box 251
Gilroy, California

Dear Mr. Galindo:

Governor Warren has received your letter of August 29, concerning the release of your daughters from the Sonoma State Home. He has asked me to tell you that the information you desire can be more readily given by Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of Institutions.

We have, therefore, referred your letter to her with the request that it be given attention and a direct reply to you.

Sincerely,

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:ds

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

September 5, 1944

We enclose herewith letter of August 29 received by the Governor from Mr. H. Galindo concerning the release of his daughters from the Sonoma State Home.

Will you be kind enough to give this your attention, make direct reply to Mr. Galindo, and provide this office with a carbon copy.

W. T. SWEIGERT
Executive Secretary

WTS:ds
Enclosure

Original Copy + letter to John M. Zuck in Dept of Education

Sonoma State Hosp.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
416 Washington Bldg.
Los Angeles, California

File No.

Subject:

Date: October 11, 1944

From: Governor's Office

The Probation Officer of Los Angeles County is having difficulty in finding a place for the custodial care of Jack Theodore Edwards, a deaf mute. The School for the Deaf at Berkeley is unwilling to take the boy because he is not mentally normal. Dr. Stevenson suggests that he be put with the group of mentally retarded deaf at Sonoma.

For your information copies of the entire correspondence have been made and are forwarded to you for your consideration.

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Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:dt

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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
PROBATION OFFICE

408 Law Building
139 North Broadway

LOS ANGELES, 12, CALIFORNIA

Refers to: Jack Theodore Edwards
No. SC 540 and 98912

October 4, 1944.

Hon. Earl Warren,
Governor, State of California,
State Capitol,
Sacramento, California.

Dear Governor Warren:

On March 30, 1944, I sent you a letter concerning the above boy upon the order of Judge Samuel R. Blake, Juvenile Judge of the County of Los Angeles. Judge Blake instructed me to ask you if there was any place in the State of California where this boy could learn to read and write, he being a deaf mute with an I.Q. of 91.

The letter already mentioned and dated March 30, 1944, will give you further information concerning the matter.

I am sorry to trouble you again but Judge Blake has asked me on two occasions if I ever received a reply from you and on Tuesday, October 3rd, instructed me to write you again.

Very truly yours,

JOHN M. ZUCK
Probation Officer

/s/ DENZIL C. LEES
Denzil C. Lees, Deputy-in-Charge
Boys' Placement Section

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C O P Y

April 11, 1944

Dr. Walter F. Dexter
Director, Department of Education
Library and Courts Building
Sacramento, California

Dear Dr. Dexter:

We enclose copy of a letter dated March 30 which Governor Warren has received from Mr. Denzil C. Lees of the Probation Office of the County of Los Angeles concerning the schooling of Jack Theodore Edwards.

Will you be kind enough to give the Governor the benefit of your comments and recommendations on this matter. Please send your reply in duplicate, if possible in form suitable for forwarding to Mr. Lees.

Sincerely,

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ls
Enclosure

C O P Y

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
PROBATION OFFICE

408 Law Building
139 North Broadway

LOS ANGELES 12, CALIFORNIA

March 30, 1944

Refers To: Jack Theodore Edwards
S.C. 540

Hon. Earl Warren,
Governor, State of California
State Capitol
Sacramento, California

Dear Governor Warren:

The above boy has an I.Q. of 91, is a deaf mute, and was born January 8, 1928. Upon review of this case, Judge Samuel R. Blake, Juvenile Judge, instructed me to ask you if there was any place in the State of California where thisboy could learn to read and write.

Thisboy was at one time in the school for the deaf at Berkeley, California but was excluded for bad conduct. The writer has tried to get him back there but failed to do so. This, of course, is understandable, in view of the boy's conduct.

On June 11, 1942, the Hon. Robert H. Scott, Judge of the Juvenile Court, committed this boy to Pacific Colony as a psychopathic and defective delinquent. A report from Dr. Thomas F. Joyce, Medical Superintendent of Pacific Colony, dated August 4, 1943, stated in part as follows: "This boy's behavior has been excellent. He has been cooperative, a good worker, and has shown none of the temper tantrums mentioned in the history. We do not feel that this boy is a psychopathic delinquent and we have recommended his discharge from the institution as an unsuitable case, with a further recommendation that he again be tried in the school forthe deaf." Thereupon the matter was again referred to the school for the deaf, but without result. The boy was discharged from Pacific Colony on September 27, 1943, and ordered returned to his own home.

The Probation Officer obtained a job for this boy in a bicycle shop through the kind help of a Lions Club Member, but he was not able to get along because he could not understand directions.

We hope that you may be able to help us with this unusual situation. If you desire fuller information, we shall be glad to furnish it.

Very truly yours,
WILL C. TURNBLADH
Probation Officer

/s/ Denzil C. Lees
Denzil C. Lees, Deputy-in-Charge
Boys' Placement Section

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C O P Y

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
Parker & Warring Streets
Berkeley, California

October 6, 1943

Mr. Denzil C. Lees,
Deputy Probation Officer
408 Law Building
139 North Broadway
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Mr. Lees:

Please bear in mind that we are interested in the education of every normal deaf child in the state. In fact, it is our responsibility to afford every resident child this opportunity for an education, and we endeavor at all times to meet this obligation. However, there are times, when in legitimate cases, we are unable to do so because of the lack of room and accommodations. As you no doubt know, we have been overcrowded these many years and have not been able to answer all applications.

On the other hand, because of this inability to fully care for the legitimate normal children, we cannot admit any deaf child who is not educable or who has already reached his peak or level in school achievement. You can well see the reason for this under even normal conditions, and why it is absolutely out of the question under our present crowded conditions.

Of course you know this fact, but in case you have not considered it, this is first and primarily a school. It is not a place to house and to care for children only. The child must be physically well and mentally fit to be admitted because only then can he take instruction and make suitable educational progress. We do not use the physical labor of our children in the way they do in the institutions of the state. The child is admitted to the school and remains only for educational purposes and returns home at Christmas time and for the summer vacation.

If he is educable, and since we have many educable and much younger children on the waiting list, why should he not be enrolled at the Mary E. Bennett School in Los Angeles, which accommodates deaf children of that city who wish to enroll?

This boy may have manual dexterity and might be very handy in doing chores and manual work, but what is his mental ability in progress? That is the chief point.

It is no simple matter to give a mental test to a deaf

child who is without language. Dr. Olga Bridgman of the University of California Hospital in San Francisco is the most dependable I know of on the coast. If it could be arranged sometime for her to test this boy it would be more definite. With all due respect to those who have already tested this boy, I make this suggestion.

For your information, let me say that there is a group of mentally retarded deaf at Eldridge, the Sonoma State Home. As yet, I do not know whether or not they have succeeded in getting a teacher. Yet they are accepting this type of double handicap. There are several now at the institution. Ours is purely educational and is run along the same lines as a large public boarding school and every child must be mentally normal, morally right, and physically fit.

If we can be of any service to you in the future in other cases and when we have room, please do not hesitate to call on us.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

/s/ Elwood A. Stevenson

Superintendent.

2 extra copies

Honorable John M. Zuck
Probation Officer
Los Angeles County
Los Angeles 12, California

Attention: Mr. Denzil C. Lees, Deputy-in-Charge
Boys' Placement Section

Dear Mr. ~~Lees:~~ Zuck:

We are sorry that you have not had a direct reply from this office in response to your letter ~~concerning~~ the care of Izzy Theodore Edwards, a deaf mute. The Governor referred it to the State Department of Education and has received a copy of Dr. Edgwood Stevenson's letter to you ~~concerning~~ the ~~matter~~ admission of ~~California School for the Deaf concerning the admission of~~ to the California School for the Deaf this boy. Since Dr. Stevenson expresses the view that the boy should be cared for at the school for the mentally retarded at Sonoma, I am having copies of the correspondence made and sent to Mrs. Heffner so that she will understand the situation.

If after ~~exploring~~ considering the possibilities developed in Dr. Stevenson's letter you still desire help from the Governor, will you please let him know.

Sincerely,

HRM

Sonoma State Home

November 13,1944

Mr. John R. Cassady
67 Prentiss Street
San Francisco 10, California

Dear Mr. Cassady:

Governor Warren received your letter of November 4 concerning your desire to have your son placed in the Sonoma State Home.

He has asked me to tell you that he appreciates your problem, and at his suggestion your letter has been referred to Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of Institutions, with the request that she give your letter her attention and communicate with you at her early convenience.

Sincerely,

(Miss) Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds

Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento, California

November 13, 1944

We enclose herewith letter of November 4 received by the Governor from Mr. John R. Cassady concerning his desire to have his son placed in the Sonoma State Home.

He has asked me to transmit it to you for such attention as in your judgment it may merit.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
343 State Office Building No. 1
Sacramento 14, California

File No.

Date: November 20, 1944

Subject:

From: Governor's Office

A woman who refused to give her name called this office and said she wished to complain about conditions at the Sonoma State Home. She had visited there on Sunday and found her son was in the hospital with a broken jaw and she has heard that the patients are abused in that institution. She said that she would not give her name because she was afraid that if she did, her son would suffer reprisals.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

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Sonoma State Home

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ELDRIDGE

Inter-Departmental Communication

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File No.

Date: Nov. 20, 1944

To: Miss Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary
Governor's Office
Sacramento, Calif.

Subject: Ben Herbert Hughes
(James Hughes)

From: **Sonoma State Home**

Your very kind letter of the 13th received, enclosing a letter dated November 4th, directed to the Department of Institutions and signed by a number of residents in a petition asking that the above mentioned child be admitted here. This is to advise you that we sent commitment papers to the Probation Officer on November 8th, a copy of which I am enclosing for your information and guidance to show that this case may be committed and sent in any time after proper arrangements for his hearing in court. Apparently these people did not get this information prior to their letter to you, as their letter to you was dated November 4th. However, they are probably aware by this time that the case will be coming in just as soon as the necessary court hearing can be held.

J. O. Fuller

Medical Director & Superintendent

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November 8, 1944

Mr. F. G. Crowell
Probation Officer
Visalia, Calif.

Attention: M.D.Winter

Dear Mr. Crowell:

RE: BEN HERBERT HUGHES

An application was filed through your office for this case for admission here in September, 1943, and the reason we were not able to accept him at that time was on account of our terribly overcrowded conditions. I am now in receipt of a petition signed by many of the citizens there in Porterville who urge his admission on account of the general condition and the family situation, they stating that the mother is laid up on account of an accident and will be for quite some time and that the father has to stay home to care for this boy and the rest of the children. Therefore, it does seem that admission is urgent, assuming they are correct in their statement, and we will stretch a point at this time and receive him, if agreeable to you. Enclosed find commitment papers for the parents to be petitioner.

Very cordially yours,

Medical Director and Superintendent

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

File No.

To: Sonoma State Home
Eldridge, California

Date: November 13, 1944

Subject:

From: **Governor's Office**

We are fording to you the enclosed letter, from James Hughes, which was received in an envelope addressed to Governor Warren.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:ds
Enclosure
Nr letter to Hughes

COPY

Sonoma State Home

December 27, 1944

Honorable Dennis Chavez
Member of the Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

I have before me a report from the Director of Institutions, Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, concerning the application for commitment of the child of M. E. Hanna with the U. S. Coast Guard at Pacific Grove, California, to the Sonoma State Home.

Mrs. Heffner advises me that she has no record of having approved the admission of this baby to the Home. She informs me that the parents are temporarily in Monterey County, but the legal residence is in New Mexico, and that the child is only six months old. The residence requirements for commitment to this institution are set forth in Section 5258 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. For your information, I quote the Section:

"If the court finds that the person is an epileptic or feeble-minded person, and that he has been a resident of the State for one year next preceding the presentation of the petition, or, if the person is under the age of one year, that he was born in the State and that the parent in whose custody he is has been a resident of the State for the period of one year next preceding the presentation of the petition, the court may make an order that the person be committed to the Department of Institutions for placement in the Sonoma State Home or to the Pacific Colony and that he be received, maintained, and educated therein. The court, however, may commit an epileptic or feeble-minded person who has been in the State less than one year for the purpose of transportation of such person to the

State of his legal residence pursuant to Section 160. On the presentation of the order the superintendent of the institution to which the person is committed shall receive him therein, unless the institution is already full, or the fund available for its support is exhausted, or, in the opinion of the Department of Institutions, the epileptic or feeble-minded person is not a suitable subject for admission thereto."

There are the further obstacles that the Institution has adopted the policy of not accepting children less than one year old and that the Institution is seriously overcrowded and there is already a waiting list of 700 children.

I trust that this information will give you a better understanding of the situation, and assure you that the problem has been approached in a spirit of sympathetic consideration.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Governor

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c/c Mrs. Heffner

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Honorable Dora Shaw Heffner, Director
Department of Institutions
State Office Building
Sacramento, California

File No.

Date: December 27, 1944

Subject: Letter from Senator Dennis Chavez re placement of child of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hanna in Sonoma State Home.

From: Governor's Office

Attached is a copy of a letter written by Governor Warren to Senator Dennis Chavez in connection with the above matter.

Thanks for your help.

Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Miss Helen R. MacGregor,
Private Secretary,
Governor's Office,
State Capitol

File No.

Date: December 19, 1944

Subject: Letter from Senator Chavez
in re: Mr. and Mrs. Hanna

From: **Department of Institutions**

Enclosed is correspondence that Dr. Butler has had concerning this matter.

I have no recollection and I have no record of having approved the placement of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Hanna in Sonoma State Home.

I shall, of course, be glad to cooperate in any way possible.

Dora Shaw Heffner

DORA SHAW HEFFNER
Director of Institutions

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MEMORANDUM

December 15, 1944

To: Mrs. Heffner

From: Dorothea Kuhlman

In re: Application for placement in Sonoma StateHome of child of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hanna

Letter from Senator Dennis Chavez to Governor Warren making inquiry regarding the above application was referred to this office for a report on November 25.

The letter from Senator Chavez stated that you had recommended that the baby be taken in at the Sonoma State Home.

I have been unable to find any correspondence concerning this matter in the Sacramento Office.

Dr. Butler has had correspondence with regard to the application. Dr. Butler states:

1. The parents are temporarily in Monterey County but their legal residence is in New Mexico.

2. The child - Milton E. Hanna, Jr., - is only six months old. He cannot be accepted in the State institution in New Mexico for the care of mentally deficient children as that institution is not equipped for nor does it take infants.

   Dr. Butler states it is also the policy of this Department not to accept infants under a year old.

3. The building in which this child would have to be housed is over 100% overcrowded. He is having to turn down many cases who have been resident in this State many years and it would seem to be unfair to accept a child whose parents do not have legal residence in California.

   Section 5258 covers the residence requirement for order of commitment to Sonoma or Pacific Colony.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

ELDRIDGE

Inter-Departmental Communication

File No.

To: Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner
Director
State Dept. of Institutions
Sacramento, Calif.

Date: Dec. 2, 1944

Subject: Milton Edmund Frank Hanna

From: Sonoma State Home

Attention: Dorothea Kuhlman

This is in response to yours of the 30th, in regard to the Governor receiving an inquiry from Senator Chavez of New Mexico, concerning the placement of the above mentioned case, who is temporarily in Monterey County but whose legal residence is in New Mexico.

I feel the best way to answer your letter is to send you two copies of the correspondence, regarding this case. First is my letter of October 21st to Mr. Ney Otis, Probation Officer of Salinas, and also from the Judge on October 19th which was in response to mine of October 16th to the Judge; also a copy of the one from the Judge under date of October 6th from Albuquerue, New Mexico.

You will note that the Judge states they do have a State Training School but do not take infants. Therefore, it would appear to me that since we are so terribly overcrowded and cannot take our own State resident cases and they do have an institution for caring for the mentally deficient they should make an exception and take this case the same as ourselves as we too have a policy of not taking infants under a year old, the latest report from your office being that we are overcrowded 34.8% with a waiting list of about 700, many of whom are extremely urgent but yet whom we cannot take on account of our seriously overcrowded condition -- in fact, if we took this case he would have to be housed in a building considerably over one hundred per cent overcrowded. Therefore, I feel it will be impossible for us to accomodate anyone from another State, regardless of the State or their facilities.

Trusting you will agree with me, I am

Very cordially yours,

Medical Director & Superintendent

FOB:U
Encs.

October 21, 1944

Mr. Ney Otis
Probation Officer
Salinas, Calif.

Re: Milton E. Hanna, Jr.

Dear Mr. Otis:

In further reference to this individual I wish to say I wrote Judge Albert R. Kool, State of New Mexico, in regard to the New Mexico Training School at Los Lunas, and he informs me it is an institution for the care and treatment of the mentally deficient but not for infants. Of course, we cannot help what their regulations are. However, in California we have regulations too that we do not take cases under a year old.

Therefore, considering this case from every angle, especially in that the father considers his address still New Mexico since that is his place of voting, and the child is only six months of age and we are not equipped to take such cases we cannot see our way clear to accept him. Besides the Nursery where he would have to be placed is overcrowded almost a hundred per cent and we are having to turn down many cases in this State who have had a residence of many years to life. Therefore, it would seem unfair to take this individual when we really legally cannot do so, since the father does not have a legal residence in California.

Furthermore, it would appear to me that this mother ought to be able to take care of a child this age or have it placed in a foster home some place here in California, if she intends to stay here, but it would appear to me that since New Mexico is their legal residence and they do have this defective child they should really return to that State. At any rate, I cannot see my way clear to take this case on account of the above.

Very cordially yours,

FOB:U

Medical Director & Superintendent

Albuquerque, New Mexico

October 19, 1944

F. O. Butler, M.D.
Medical Director and Superintendent
Sonoma State Home
Eldridge, California.

Dear Dr. Butler:

Re: Milton E. Hanna, Jr.

In reply to your letter of October 16, 1944, this is to advise you that there is such an institution as the New Mexico Training School at Los Lunas, New Mexico, which is for the mentally deficient.

However, this school is not equipped for nor does it take infants. Further it does not take untrainables; that is, the school is confined to the treatment of mentally deficient who are not only old enough to be more or less self-sufficient but are mentally and physically able to receive some training.

This school is in my district, within twenty miles of Albuquerque and I not only have visited the institution several times, but am very well acquainted with the superintendent, and I know of my own knowledge that the baby would not be admissible under the rules and regulations of the institution.

Very truly yours,

ARK:MB

ABBERT R. KOOL
DISTRICT JUDGE

October 16, 1944

Hon. Albert R. Kool
Second Judicial Dist.
Alburquerque, N. Mex.

Re: Milton E. Hanna, Jr.

Dear Judge Kool:

On October 6th you addressed a letter "To Whom it May Concern" and it was mailed to Mrs. Milton E. F. Hanna, 552 Webster St.,Monterey, California, regarding the admission of her son to this Institution, which is for the mentally deficient and epileptic.

I had already written Mr. Ney Otis, Probation Officer of Salinas, Monterey County, that there was, according the American Association on Mental Deficiency directory, an institution in New Mexico by the name of New Mexico State Home and Training School at Los Lunas, New Mexico and we naturally have assumed that this institution or school was for the mentally deficient since it is listed in our Journal on mental deficiency, of which Association I have been a member for many years and at present am on their council.

May we hear from you as to whether or not we are mistaken in believing that this institution is of this type in order that we can advise people further regarding same.

Thanking you, I am

Very cordially yours,

FOB:U

Medical Director & Superintendent

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Albert R. Kool, Judge
Albuquerque, New Mexico

October 6, 1944

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

It is my understanding that Milton E. Hanna, Jr. and his wife Mary Jane are attempting to place their baby, Milton E. Hanna, Jr., age six months, in an institution in California for treatment of mentally defective children.

The report from the Stanford University Clinic shows this child is physically and mentally untrainable.

I am writing this to advise that there is no place within the State of New Mexico, either public or private where this child could be placed. There are absolutely no facilities for any amount of money to take care of this child in the State of New Mexico.

Very truly yours,

ARK:MB

ALBERT R.KOOL
DISTRICT JUDGE

Sonoma State Home

November 25, 1944

Honorable Dennis Chavez
Member of the Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator:

I have your letter of November 14 concerning the placement of the child of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hanna of 552 Webster Street, Monterey, California, at the Sonoma State Home at Eldridge.

I have asked Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner, Director of the Department of Institutions, to give me a report concerning the case and will write you again as soon as I have received it.

Unfortunately California institutions for the care of children in need of the type of care offered at this Home are dreadfully overcrowded and there are long waiting lists. We hope in our postwar building program to remedy this situation.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

Governor

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
SACRAMENTO 14

Inter-Departmental Communication

To: Mrs. Dora Shaw Heffner
Director of Institutions
State Office Building
Sacramento, California

File No.

Date: November 25, 1944

Subject: Letter from Senator Dennis Chavez re Mr. and Mrs. Hanna

From: Governor's Office

Attached herewith are copies of correspondence between Senator Chavez of New Mexico and Governor Warren concerning placement of the child of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hanna of 552 Webster Street, Monterey, at the Sonoma State Home at Eldridge.

Will you please give the Governor a report which will enable him to answer Senator Chavez' letter.

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Helen R. MacGregor
Private Secretary

HRM:a
Enclosures

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Albuquerque, New Mexico
November 14th, 1944

Hon. Earl Warren, Governor
Sacramento, California

Dear Governor Warren:

There is a problem of extreme importance to the parties concerned, who are now residents of California, that I wish to call to your attention, with the feeling that you will not consider me presumptious in so doing.

M. E. Hanna, S 1/C, is with the U. S. Coast Guard at Pacific Grove, California. His wife, Mrs. Hanna, lives at 552 Webster Street, Monterey, California. They are trying to place their baby in the Sonoma State Home at Eldridge, California and I understand this institution is supervised by Dr. F. O. Butler, as Superintendent and Medical Director.

It is hard for me to explain to you in detail the condition of this baby, but Dr. Butler, as I understand, is very well acquainted with said condition. For some technical reason refusal at the Home has been made. Miss Dora Shaw Heffner, J.D.S.S.A.D., and the Chaplain of the U. S. Coast Guard in that District both have recommended that the baby be taken in at the Home.

I know that you are extremely busy, but I know that it would be an act of Christian charity and good governmental policy if this child were taken in. I sincerely hope that when you have the opportunity you will have Dr. Butler make a report to you on this matter, so that you can come to a conclusion as to the situation involved. I know the parents of both Mr. and Mrs. Hanna and they are fine people. I hope that something can be done to take care of this child.

Personal regards and wishing you the best of success, I am,

Sincerely,

Dennis Chavez

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UNITED STATES SENATE

Albuquerque, New Mexico
November 14th, 1944

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Sincerely,

S/ Dennis Chavez